

"RIPPER" FEAR CAUSES PANICS; SCHOOLS CLOSE

Terrified Mothers Rush to
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Children Home.

MOB ATTACKS MAN; MORE ARRESTS MADE

The "ripper" scare has spread beyond New York. In several nearby towns yesterday rumors were circulated that the "ripper" was in the vicinity and scores of frightened mothers rushed to schoolhouses and dragged their children home.

A number of arrests were made, but nothing was accomplished that would connect the suspects with the murders committed here.

New York detectives yesterday found two persons who confessed that they had written letters threatening visits from the "ripper." They proved to be schoolgirls, 19 and 12 years old, and they said they had written the letters "just for fun."

WHITE PLAINS ALARMED.

Fifty Italian Women in Wild Rush to Save Children.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., May 11.—Fifty Italian women, mothers of children in the Hillsdale school here, this afternoon created a panic in the school when they rushed in and demanded their children. They had heard that a "Jack the Ripper" was in the village and they could not be reasoned with. Those who did not snatch their children from the seats stormed through the rooms, and the teachers were forced to turn the little ones over to them. The police say there was no foundation for the rumor. The first intimation of any trouble came when Miss Rose Birmingham, the school principal, heard the tramp of heavy feet in the school halls and shrill cries followed as the mothers located their children.

MONTCLAIR GETS SCARE.

Mothers Force Teachers to Dismiss Primary Class.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., May 11.—The "Jack the Ripper" scare extended to Montclair today, and as a result the primary class of the Baldwin street school had to be dismissed this afternoon. Several women became hysterical when a report spread that the "ripper" had been seen prowling in the vicinity of the school and others ran to the school and demanded that their children be turned over to them at once.

FRESH ARRESTS MADE.

Police Here Send Out Facsimiles of "Ripper" Letters.

Circulars bearing photographic facsimiles of the threatening letters received by Mr. Murray and Mrs. John Murray of Charley Murray and Leonora Cohn, who were murdered by an unknown "ripper," have been sent to all of the penal institutions in the city. The circulars also contain a description of the "ripper" and a list of the names of the prisoners who are being held in the city.

Two men were held yesterday by Magistrate Levy in the Yorkville court as suspects in the "ripper" cases. Frank Fuzia, 38, of 156 Dupont street, Greenpoint, was arrested on a charge of night charged with disorderly conduct by Helen Manning, 14, and her sister, Grace, 13, who were held in \$2,000 bail for further examination today. Fuzia was confronted by Mamie Manning, one of the murdered boy, who admitted that the prisoner looked like the man she saw emerging from the hallway shortly before the murder was discovered. Fuzia refused to identify him positively. Nevertheless Inspector Faurer and Capt. Glidewell believe the arrest of Fuzia to be the most important step in the night of the Murray boy's death.

The other prisoner, John Robinson, 27, negro, of 528 East Thirtieth street, who was arrested on a charge of carrying a revolver, was held in \$1,000 bail for the Grand Jury. The Bellevue Hospital authorities, according to Detective Birmingham, believe the negro to be insane.

Almost a hundred letters referring in some way to the "ripper" crimes are received every day by Inspector Faurer. A shabbily dressed man shuffled up to Mayor Maurello, 16, yesterday afternoon while she was standing in front of her home at 525 Webster avenue, near 210th street. The girl took one look at the man's whiskers and screamed "The ripper!" Instantly the streets swarmed with women and men armed with brooms and other weapons with which they belabored the man. He was driven to the ground and a crowd of men gathered around him. A shabbily dressed man shuffled up to Mayor Maurello, 16, yesterday afternoon while she was standing in front of her home at 525 Webster avenue, near 210th street. The girl took one look at the man's whiskers and screamed "The ripper!" Instantly the streets swarmed with women and men armed with brooms and other weapons with which they belabored the man. He was driven to the ground and a crowd of men gathered around him.

The man said he was Carmine Kitt, 29, a chemist, with no home. He explained that he had meant no harm and simply was thirsty and was about to ask the girl for a drink when she screamed.

Detectives McCarthy and Butts of the Fourth branch bureau yesterday made the first arrests of self-confessed writers of "ripper" letters. The arrests followed the report by Inspector Faurer of 1417 Amsterdam avenue, and Mrs. Julia McMahon of letters written in a childish hand threatening to destroy their children at a specified time. Yesterday afternoon, after tracing the letter paper to a certain school in Harlem the detectives arrested two frail and badly frightened schoolgirls, Helen, 19, of 1425 Amsterdam avenue, and Marie Blackwell, 12, of 506 West 136th street. After a short resistance they carefully admitted that they had written the "ripper" letters. They were released on their mothers' promise to administer fitting punishment.

Cemented Woman Starts "Ripper" Scare in Hoboken.

Shortly before the afternoon session of Public School 8, located at Seventh and Adams streets, Hoboken, started yesterday, some one spread the story that a "ripper" was near by. In a few minutes mothers hearing the rumor came rushing to the school looking for their children. Some of the children said a woman dressed in black told them about the "ripper." A demented woman was seen in the vicinity and the police are looking for her.

GIRLS OF ATHLETIC LEAGUE GIVE MAYPOLE DANCES ON THE SHEEP PASTURE LAWS IN CENTRAL PARK

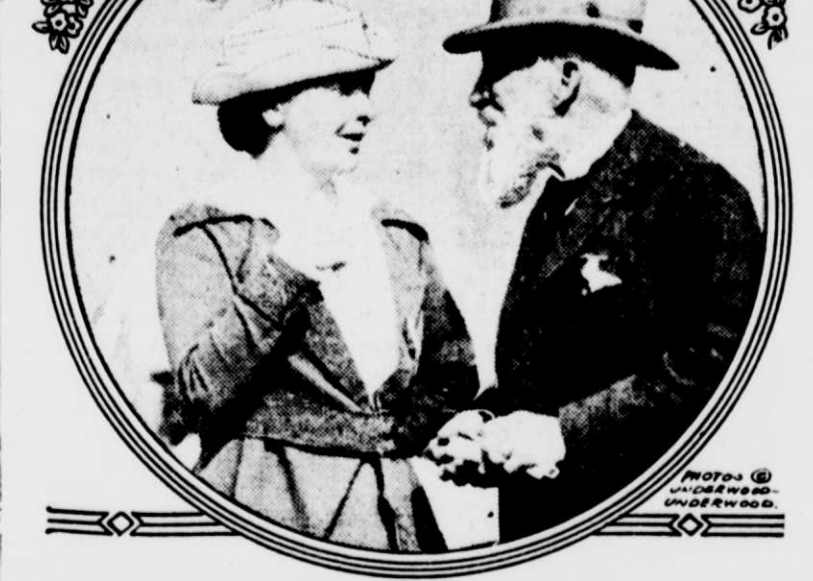


Pretty Spectacle Is Witnessed by Large Crowd—No Solos.

LAMBS RESENT BEING DRIVEN OFF GREENS

More than two dozen sheep were driven protesting from the pastures in Central Park yesterday afternoon to make way for about ten thousand girls of the Athletic League, who covered the greens with May poles.

The grand stand with two military bands from Fort Totten and Fort Hamilton occupied the center of the field and from this stretched endless vistas of many colored May poles surrounded by circles of little girls and busy bands of Boy Scouts, who drew lines and guarded the traffic like real policemen. They so far forgot themselves several times as to turn hand springs to the terror of the little girls, but for the most part the afternoon passed peacefully.



Above—School children carrying the Maypole in Central Park. Below—Miss Elizabeth Burchenal and Gen. Wingate, who did much to make the May Day fete of the Public Schools Athletic League a success.

Boy Scouts Act Like Real Policemen and Keep Throngs in Order.

WON'T TEACH WARLIKE FEATS, SAYS WINGATE

Boy Scouts for the event and crowded lines three sides to see the children dance.

"We don't believe in solo dancing," said one of the directors, "it encourages conceit, so we aim to have everything done in the group spirit." The program was under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Burchenal and the field committee. The Boy Scouts under the leadership of Lorillard Spencer, Scout Commissioner, and Charles L. Pollard, his deputy, "We shan't give these girls any military training," said Gen. George W. Wingate of the Board of Education. "Every woman ought to know how to shoot, but beyond that we will not go. There is no use in our talking about war anyway, as we are not prepared. All we could do is to make faces at the Germans."

SAYS MOTHER-IN-LAW BROKE UP HIS HOME

Brooklyn Physician Charged With Telling Wife to Eat Off Floor.

SUES SILVERMAN FOR \$50,000.

Charles Ahearn, Now Paying Alimony, Alleges Alienation.

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WITNESSES SCORE ON DARNELL.

Say Minister Denied Marrying Miss Ruth Soper.

MILWAUKEE, May 11.—The Government scored in the trial of the Rev. James Morrison Darnell, charged with white slavery, today, when testimony was introduced to show that he had specifically denied marrying Miss Ruth Soper of Owatonna, Minn., whom he is charged with transporting from her home to Kenosha, Wis., for immoral purposes. Miss Soper was present, her face pale and drawn, and the confidence that characterized her bearing at the beginning of the trial was gone. One witness testified that Darnell had said: "Doris Varnell is the only girl I ever loved."

NOT GUILTY IN BITTER CASE.

Chauffeur Exonerated When Grand Jury Refuses to Indict.

The grand jurors who heard the evidence concerning the killing of Karl Bitter, the sculptor, in front of the Metropolitan Opera House, April 9 last reported to Judge Wadhams in General Sessions yesterday that they had been unable to find a true bill and the charge of manslaughter against Edgar K. James, the driver of the car, was dismissed. Mr. Bitter died the day following the accident, and his wife also was injured. She was a witness before the grand jury. A coroner's jury also exonerated James.

SUNDAY'S LANDLORD ASKS \$1,754 DAMAGES

Says 148 Drinking Glasses Are Missing and Furniture Is Generally Smashed Up.

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GINMAN BARES PLOT FOR LABOR TO SLAY FOES

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assault, assault in lesser degree, attempted extortion, robbery, "about every crime," as acting Commissioner Frank Lord put it, "except arson and one or two others."

It was a workaday business with Dopey Benny and his other gangsters, this supplying gunmen and blackmail wielders when wanted.

"I made about \$10,000 a year at it," officials say Dopey Benny related in his confession. "I got \$12 a day as a contractor to supply the men wanted to get somebody, sometimes more." All the way from \$3 to \$12 and \$15 a day was the price paid to the thugs. When Dopey Benny got a lump sum to do a job it was for him to say how many were to be sent in to waylay the men to be beaten up. It lay within his power as gang leader also to say how much he would pay his hiring thugs for their very effective efforts. Eight dollars a day was a fair wage for a gang leader to pay an "operator" to lay a man low.

"Don't get the impression," District Attorney Perkins said when giving out as much information as he and his assistants thought advisable to make known to the public, "that this is a crusade against union labor men as such. On the contrary, during this long investigation, as my assistants here, Mr. Brockbridge, Mr. Du Vivier and Mr. Deleahanty, will back me up in saying, union labor men of the East Side have had invaluable assistance in running down the evidence."

"But in following out the stories told by Dopey Benny we soon discovered that many of the men we were after happened to be union men who, to obtain positions of power they held in certain locals, would stop at nothing to retain their influential jobs."

Will Keep Courts Busy.

"The hard working union men, we found, were just as much opposed to the high handed, lawless methods being used as any one could wish. From them we got valuable information. The indictments are not against the unions, but against individuals who used the unions for crime to further individual selfish interests."

"The public will find, I think, that we have plenty of evidence against the persons now being sought by the detectives. If arrests are made," concluded the District Attorney, "in all the many cases we've investigated during this long investigation there will be enough criminal business on hand to keep the courts busy for six months."

Right in the private office of the District Attorney all this time was one of the men under indictment. He was a red checked young man of decided views, who, as representative in the Criminal Court Building of a kindred newspaper published on the East Side had come into Mr. Perkins's office when the District Attorney late in the afternoon granted the request of reporters to discuss in a general way the indictments just handed down.

The detectives had just swarmed out all but one, who was being held in the red checked young man—and in this early evening stage of the game the District Attorney did not, of course, give the names of the men indicted. The red checked young man was a bit argumentative with Mr. Perkins as he sought to obtain from the District Attorney, during the general discussion, some hint that might help him in his case in a general way the indictments just handed down.

Credit Given to Woods.

The young man was leaving the office after being assured that Dopey Benny had not accused factory workers of employing gangsters when up appeared Detective John H. Davis, who made the first arrest by grasping the arm of the astonished young Yiddish reporter.

Cards as prisoners displayed at Police Headquarters, a young man named Philip Gosson, 25 years old, who lives with his wife at 895 Kelly street. He is charged in the bench warrant with attempted extortion and helping and abetting an assault when, together with another young man against whom there is an indictment, he called upon the services of a well known street man named Philip Gosson, 25 years old, who lives with his wife at 895 Kelly street. He is charged in the bench warrant with attempted extortion and helping and abetting an assault when, together with another young man against whom there is an indictment, he called upon the services of a well known street man named Philip Gosson, 25 years old, who lives with his wife at 895 Kelly street.

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In giving out the general story of the work leading up to the indictments Mr. Lord said that it was Commissioner Woods who hit upon the means of rounding up the gangs.

Dopey Benny, to relate briefly the circumstances leading to his confession and the arrests of last night after a long criminal career of which the police have record for almost fifteen years back, started out following the shooting of Big Jack Selig to grasp the remunerative gang leadership left vacant by the death of Selig after the Rosenthal murder.

Ultimatum Sent to Gang.

On September 16 last Dopey Benny was arrested on a "plant" of Lieut. Costigan's after an East Side editor had complained to the police that a friend of his, Benjamin S. Salomonowitz, had been threatened with death by Dopey Benny's crowd unless he paid blackmail money. Salomonowitz, finally, at the suggestion of the police, sent Benny a letter demanding \$50 to Benny in marked bills.

Benny was grabbed and taken to the Tombs, where he stayed under \$7,500 bail. His gang outside seemed a bit neglectful in raising the bail money, however. Benny sent forth an ultimatum.

"If you guys don't raise the bail money by next Saturday night," Dopey Benny sent word to his followers months ago, "I'll squeak."

Through Henry D. Sayer of the District Attorney's office some word of things as they stood was conveyed just at this time to Judge William H. Woodhams. About the time the gang outside had raised most of the money for the bail, Judge Woodhams to \$10,000. The gang either couldn't or wouldn't get so much money together.

Throughout Dopey Benny "squealed." He pleaded guilty to the extortion charge against him, but before starting for Sing Sing he decided to get even with his faithful followers by telling all he knew.

One murder—the killing of Herman Lieberwitz at the headquarters, at 85 East 12th street, on the morning of the night of the striking clock and shirt-makers during the general strike in 1916—early was gone into by Dopey Benny.

Three suspects were indicted shortly after that murder and were reindicted yesterday following Benny's disclosures. Among the accused were named Solomon Metz, Morris Gorman and Morris Stupnick.

An unusual proceeding of releasing a man indicted for murder in the job of a musician, who was a member of the union, was followed and the three were enjoying unmolested liberty until the reindictments handed down against them. Benny's disclosures to send out officials to gather them in.

Thanks to Benny's disclosures, five others were also indicted for the murder of Lieberwitz. Among the men named were the union had left Manhattan at the beginning of the strike and went to work at his trade in Hunter, N. Y. A committee of union men was sent after him and two others with directions to induce Lieberwitz and his two companions to give up their jobs and return to this city.

Lieberwitz came back to town and entered the picket committee's headquarters. As he left the place he was set upon and killed.

Attempted extortion and assault are charged against three men in what the authorities, for convenience sake, called indictment number 2. An indictment for the assault and robbery by men affiliated with the Clock and Shirt Makers' Union in March, 1913, is charged in the next indictment.

In the blanket indictments that follow seven men are named in one assault charge in which it is alleged that a musician had himself elected a member of the bakers' union and then sought to induce bakers to join a place of authority in the union. One man opposed the musician, whereupon the charge is made that the musician and six others beat the man when they sought to induce a resignation from the place of authority in the union. One man opposed the musician, whereupon the charge is made that the musician and six others beat the man when they sought to induce a resignation from the place of authority in the union.

Assault is charged in two indictments in which four white goods workers and one black goods worker are named. Dopey Benny had been indicted into this "case" also. Riot and malicious mischief, in which a property loss of \$10,000 was claimed, is charged against three white goods workers who were at 533 Broadway in April, 1913, in the next indictment.

Four others were arrested in front of the Prince George Hotel by Detectives Lischer, Gordon and Sheridan. They are charged with attempted extortion.

Jacob Halpern, 147 Longfellow avenue, The Bronx, who said he was a manager of the Clock Makers' Union, was charged with attempted extortion and one charge of murder in the first degree. Samuel Wolf, 270 E. 123rd street, described as a druggist and manager of the White Goods Workers' Union. Two warrants charge him with attempted extortion and one charge of murder in the first degree.

Deputy Commissioner Lord gave all credit yesterday for the detective system employed to Commissioner Woods.

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The whole fine line of men's suits, from \$18.50 to \$37.50, is being kept up.

Str